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**FIBER OPTIC CONNECTOR**

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**TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

The present invention relates in general to optical fiber light transmission systems, and in particular to connectors for use in coupling optical fiber conductors together.

**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION**

The present application is a continuation-in-part of, and claims priority to, U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/119,227, filed February 9, 1999 and entitled "FIBER OPTIC CONNECTOR."